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In re Application of: Zimmermann, et al.

Group No. : 1651

Serial No.: 09/762,850

Examiner: David M. Naff

Filed: April 13, 2001

For: Method for Producing Ultra-Pure Alginates

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 01, 2002 in the subject application,

Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

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TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

1. Transmitted herewith is a reply to an Office Action in this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is
☒ a small entity. A statement:
☐ is attached.
☒ was already filed.
☐ other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.13 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

| | Extension (months) | Fee for other than small entity | Fee for small entity |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | one month | \$110.00 | \$55.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | two months | \$390.00 | \$195.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | three months | \$890.00 | \$445.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | four months | \$1,390.00 | \$695.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | five months | \$1,890.00 | \$945.00 |

Fee: \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| 4. The fee for claim(s) (See 3.1) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----|---------------------------------|----|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|----|-----------|----------------------|
| SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | | | |
| Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid For | | Present Extra | Rate | Addit. Fee | OR | Rate | Addit. Fee |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 15 | Minus | 27 | = | 0 | x \$9 = | \$ | x \$18 = | \$0 |
| Indep. | 1 | Minus | 2 | = | 0 | x \$42 = | \$ | x \$84 = | \$0 |
| [] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim | | | | 0 | + \$140 = | \$ | | + \$280 = | \$0 |
| | | | | | | Total Additional Fee | \$ | OR | Total Additional Fee |
| | | | | | | | | | \$0 |

- (c) ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

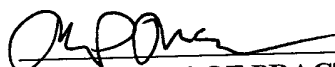
- (d) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ _____.

FEE PAYMENT

5. ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ _____.
☐ Charge Account No. 50-2194 the sum of \$ _____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-2194.
AND/OR
☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 50-2194.



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Invention: **Process for Producing Ultra-Pure Alginates**

I hereby certify that the following correspondence:

Transmittal of Response to Restriction Requirement (3 pages); Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pages);
Transmittal of New Drawings to Correct Informalities (2 sheets); Change of Attorney's Address in Application (1
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